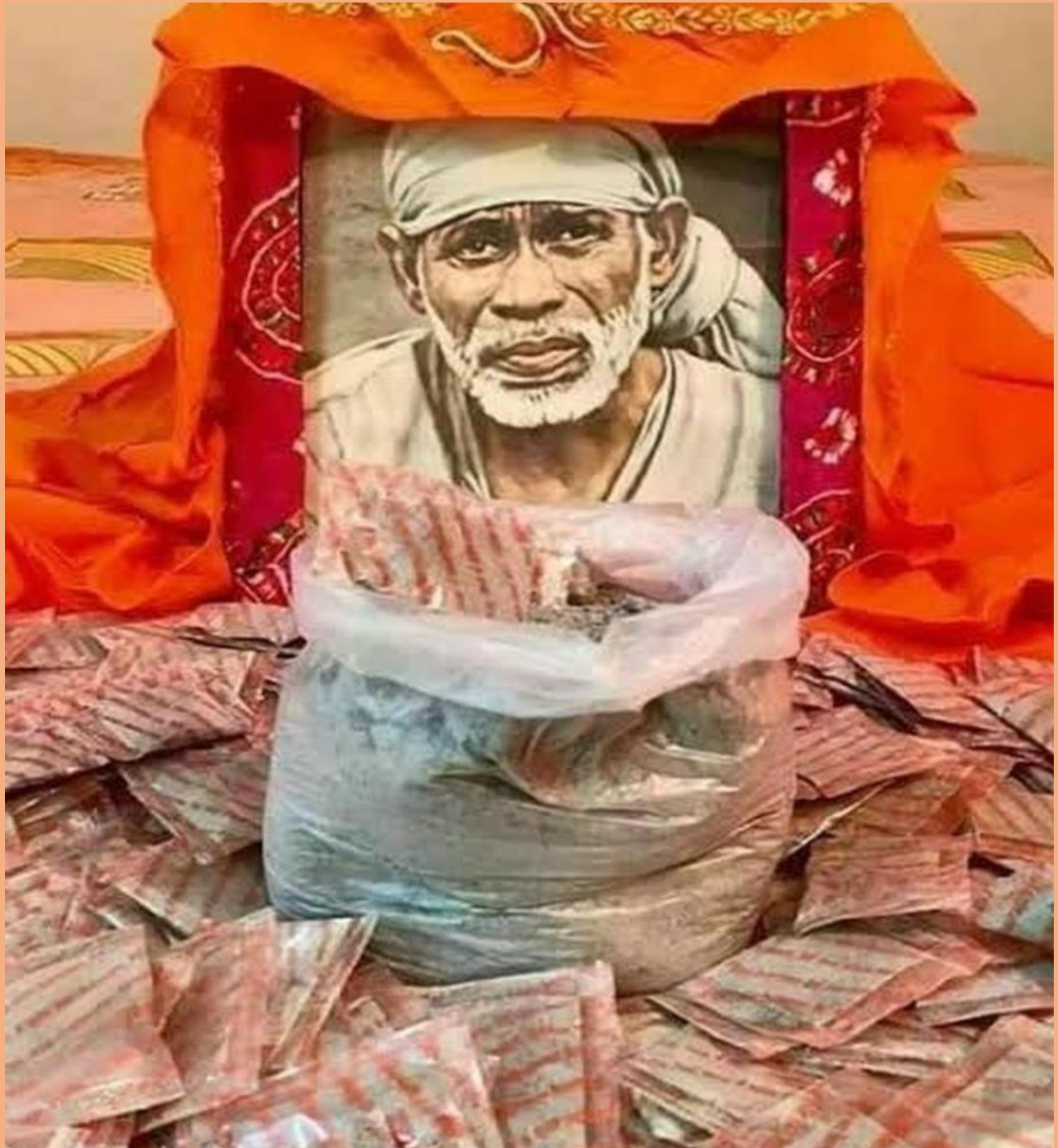


# Sai baba's Udi



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## Udi

- It is well known that **Baba** took **Dakshina** from all, and out of the amount thus collected, He distributed most of it to charity, purchasing only some fuel with the balance left. This fuel He threw in the dhuni - the sacred fire, which He kept ever burning. The **ash from this fire** was called **Udi** and was freely distributed to the devotees at the time of their departure from Shirdi.
- **Baba** taught by his **Udi** that all the visible phenomena in the universe is as transient as the ash. Our bodies, composed of matter comprising the 5 elements, will decompose after all their sense enjoyments are over, and will be reduced to ashes. In order to remind His devotees of the fact that their bodies will be reduced to ashes, **Baba** distributed **Udi** to them.
- **Baba** also taught by the **Udi** that **Brahman** is the only reality and the universe is ephemeral - that no one in this world, whether it be a father, mother, wife, or child is really ours. We come in this world alone, and we have to go out alone.
- It was found that the **Udi** cured many physical and mental maladies, but what **Baba** really wanted, was to din into the devotees' ears, the principles of discrimination between the unreal and the real. He wanted to cultivate non-attachment for the unreal by His **Udi** and **Dakshina**.
- **Udi** teaches discrimination and the Dakshina, nonattachment. Unless we have discrimination and non-attachment, it is not possible to cross the sea of mundane existence. **Sai Baba**, therefore, asked for and took Dakshina, and, as the devotees would take their leave, He would give **Udi** as Prasad, besmearing it on their foreheads while placing His hand of blessing on their heads.
- When **Baba** was in a cheerful mood, He used to sing merrily. One such song was about **Udi**. The theme of this song was, "Oh, playful Rama, come, come, and bring with You sacks of **Udi**." **Baba** used to sing in very clear and sweet tones.
- Thus, **Udi** has a strong spiritual implication, but it has material significance as well. It confers health, prosperity, freedom from anxiety and many other worldly gains.
- The **Udi**, therefore, creates both material and spiritual benefits.



**Saibaba's Blessings & Power** is hidden in Spiritual **Udi**

## **Shirdi Sai Baba Udi Mantra**

### **Sanskrit Mantra**

Paramam Pavithram Baba Vibhuthim

Paramam Vichithram Leela Vibhuthim

Paramaartham Ishtaartham Moksha Pradhaanam

Baba Vibhuthim Idham Asrayami

### **Meaning:**

I take refuge in the supremely sacred Vibhuthi of Lord Baba, the wonderful Vibhuthi, which bestows salvation, the sacred state which I desire to attain.

### **English version:**

Sacred Ash, Miraculous, Baba's Creation

Flowing From His Blessed Hand, Holy Creation

Granting Us The Greatest Wealth, God's Divine Protection

Beloved Baba, Grant Us Liberation



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### Incident 1: Baba blessed with Udi when Hemadpant Dabholkar expressed his desire for writing Sai charitra

- When **Sai Baba** heard **Hemadpant Dabholkar** request on **writing Sai charitra**, **Baba** has moved and blessed by giving His Udi. He then placed His boon-bestowing hand on his head and said,
  - let you make a collection of stories and experiences and keep notes and memos.
  - I will help you. You are only an outward instrument.
  - I, Myself, will write my life and satisfy the wishes of my devotees.
  - He should get rid of his ego. Let him surrender it at my feet.

### Incident 2: Udi applied to a friend of Narayan Rao was stung by a scorpion

- **Narayan Motiram Jani** of Nasik was a devotee of **Baba**, he left the service in which he was employed and moved to Shirdi and started a boarding house, “**Anandashram**”
- Once, a **friend of Narayan Rao (Narayan Motiram Jani)** was stung by a scorpion. The pain it caused was severe and unbearable. As holy ash is most efficacious in such cases when applied directly to the source of pain, **Narayan Rao** searched to find some **Udi**, but was unsuccessful.
- He then stood before **Sai Baba’s picture** and invoked **Baba’s** aid. He chanted **Baba’s** name and, taking out a pinch of the ashes from the stick of incense burning in front of **Baba’s** picture and visualizing it to be **Baba’s Udi**, he applied it directly to the area of the scorpion sting.
- As soon as he took his fingers away from the wound, the pain vanished and both **Narayan Rao** and **Narayan Jani** were amazed and grateful to **Baba**.

### Incident 3: Baba’s Udi applied to Nanasaheb Chandorkar wife’s forehead

- Once a devotee in Bandra learned that his daughter, who was staying in another village, had come down with bubonic plague. He had no Udi with him, so he sent word to **Nanasaheb Chandorkar** to send some.



- **Nanasaheb** got the message while en route near the Thana Railway Station. He was travelling with his wife to Kalyan. He had **no Udi** with him at that time.
- He, therefore, **picked up some earth** from the road, meditated upon **Sai Baba**, invoked His aid, and applied it on his **wife's forehead**.
- When the devotee then went to his daughter's house, he was thrilled to learn that his daughter, who had been suffering for 3 days, began to improve the very moment **Nanasaheb** invoked **Baba's aid**.

#### **Incident 4: Baba's Udi applied by Irani gentleman's young daughter**

- **Irani gentleman's young daughter** had convulsions every hour. When the fits occurred, **she** would lose her power of speech, her limbs would shrink and contract, and **she** would fall down senseless. No remedy gave her any relief.
- A friend recommended **Baba's Udi** to her father and asked him to get some from **Kakasaheb Dixit** at Vile Parle, a suburb of Bombay.
- The **Irani gentleman**, having procured the **Udi**, mixed it with water and gave it to his daughter to drink every day. At first, the convulsions, which were occurring hourly, slowed down to every 7 hours, and after a few days, they stopped totally and the **daughter** completely recovered.

#### **Incident 5: Baba's Udi applied by Harda Gentleman**

- An **old gentleman from Harda** was suffering from a stone in his bladder. Such stones are generally removed by a surgical operation and he was advised to undergo such.
- **He** was old and weak and could not consider having the surgery. **His** suffering, however, soon came to an end in another way.
- The inamdar of that town happened to come there at that time. **He** was a devotee of **Baba** and always had a substantial amount of Udi with him.
- On the recommendation of his friends, the **elderly gentleman's son** got some of this **Udi** and, mixing it with water, gave it to his father to drink. Within 5 minutes, the **Udi** was

assimilated, the stone was dissolved and passed through his urine, and the **old man** was relieved.

#### **Incident 6: Baba's Udi applied by Bombay Lady during her Pregnancy**

- A **woman of the Kayastha Prabhu caste** in Bombay always suffered terrible pain at her delivery. She was very much frightened each time she became pregnant and did not know what to do.
- **Shri Rama Maruti** of Kalyan, who was a devotee of **Baba**, advised her husband to take her to Shirdi for a painless delivery.
- When **she** next became pregnant, both **husband** and **wife** came to Shirdi, stayed there for a few months and worshiped **Baba**, receiving the benefit of His company.
- When the time came for her to deliver, there was, as usual, obstruction in the passage from the womb. She began to suffer labor pains and was frightened, but **she** began to pray to **Baba** for relief.
- In the meantime, some neighboring women arrived and, after invoking **Baba's** aid, gave her a **Udi** mixture to drink. In 5 minutes, the **woman** delivered safely and painlessly. The issue was still born according to its fate, but the mother, who was relieved of her anxiety and pain, thanked **Baba** for the safe delivery and remained ever grateful to Him.

#### **Incident 7: Baba's Udi applied by Kayastha Prabhu suffering from Insomnia**

- A **Kayastha Prabhu** gentleman of Bandra suffered from insomnia for a long time. As soon as he laid himself down for sleep, his departed father appeared to him in his dream, and abused and scolded him severely. This disturbed his sleep and made him restless throughout the night. This went on every night and the man did not know what to do.
- One day, he consulted a devotee of **Baba** who recommended **Udi** as the only infallible remedy he knew.
- The devotee gave the man some **Udi** and asked him to apply a little of it to his forehead before going to bed and to keep the **Udi packet** under his pillow. The **gentleman** tried the

remedy and found, to his great surprise and joy, that he got sound sleep with no disturbance of any kind. He continued using the remedy and always remembered **Sai**.

- He then got a picture of **Sai Baba** which he hung on the wall near his pillow. He started worshiping it every day, and on Thursdays, he would offer a garland and naivedya. The **gentleman** did well and completely forgot his former trouble.

### **Incident 8: Baba's Udi applied to each dish of food on Balaji's anniversary**

- Once, it so happened that on the day of **Balaji's** anniversary, a certain number of guests were invited for dinner.
- When dinner time arrived, it was discovered that 3 times the no. of people invited showed up. **Mrs. Newaskar** was in a bind. She thought the food that had been prepared would not suffice for the people assembled, and that if it fell short, the honor of the family would be at stake.
- Her mother-in-law comforted her by saying, "Don't be afraid. It is not ours, but **Sai's** food. Put **Udi** into each dish of food, then cover every vessel with cloth and serve the dishes without taking the lids away. **Sai** will save us from ignominy."
- She did as she was advised and it was found to their surprise and joy that not only did the food suffice for all, but plenty of it remained after serving. "As one feels intently, so he realizes accordingly" was proved in this case.

### **Incident 9: Baba's Udi and blessings to Dattopant relieved Stomach ache**

- **Dattopant** suffered from stomach aches for 14 years. None of the remedies gave him any relief. Then, hearing of **Baba's** fame, that He cures diseases by sight, **Dattopant** ran to Shirdi and fell at **Baba's** feet. Baba looked at him kindly and gave him blessings.
- When **Baba** placed His hand on **Dattopant's** head and gave him **Udi** with blessings, he felt relieved and there was no further trouble about the malady.

### **Incident 10: Baba's Udi and blessings to Ruttonji of Nanded blessed him Children**

- **Ruttonji of Nanded** had amassed a large amount of money and acquired fields and lands. He was very prosperous.
- He mentally asked, "Would God ever be pleased to grant me a son?" He looked morose and had no relish for his food. Day and night he was enveloped with anxiety as to whether he would ever be blessed with a son.
- In a few days he went to Shirdi, took **Baba's** darshan and fell at His feet. Then, opening a basket, he took out a beautiful garland of flowers and placed it around **Baba's** neck and offered Him a basket of fruit. With great respect, he then sat near **Baba**, and prayed to Him saying, "Many people who find themselves in difficult situations come to You and You relieve them immediately. Hearing this, I have anxiously sought Your feet. Please do not disappoint me." **Sai Baba** then asked him for Dakshina of Rs. 5/ which
- **Ruttonji** intended to give, but **Sai Baba** then added that He had already received Rs. 3-14-0 from him and so he should pay the balance only. Hearing this, **Ruttonji** was rather puzzled.
- He could not make out what **Baba** meant. He thought to himself, since this was the first time he went to Shirdi, how was it **Baba** said He had already received Rs. 3-14-0 from him? He could not solve the riddle, but sat at **Baba's** feet and gave the balance of the Dakshina asked for. He explained fully to **Baba** why he came to seek His help, and prayed **Baba** would bless him with a son.
- **Baba** was moved and told him not to be worried, because from this point on, **his bad days had come to an end**. **Baba** then gave him **Udi**, placed His hand on his head and blessed him, saying that Allah (God) would satisfy his heart's desire.
- Later, in due time, he was blessed with a son and his joy knew no bounds. It is said he had in all a dozen children, out of which only 4 survived.

### **Incident 11: Baba's Udi and blessings to a sadhak of yoga**

- Once it so happened, a **sadhak of yoga** came to Shirdi with **Nanasaheb Chandorkar**. He had studied all the works on yoga, including the yoga-sutras of Patanjali, but had no practical experience. He could not concentrate nor attain Samadhi for even a short time.

- He thought if **Sai Baba** was pleased with him, He would show him the way to attain Samadhi for a sustained time. With this thought in mind, he came to Shirdi.
- When he went to the masjid and saw **Sai Baba** eating bread with onion, a thought arose in his mind, “How can this man, who is eating stale bread with raw onion, solve my difficulties and help me?”
- **Sai Baba** read his mind and said to Nanasaheb, “Oh **Nana**, he who has the power to digest onion should eat it, and none else.”
- Hearing this remark, the **yogi** was wonder struck and fell at **Baba’s** feet in complete surrender.
- With pure and open mind, he mentioned his difficulties to **Baba** who then gave him their solution. Thus, being satisfied and happy, he left Shirdi with Baba’s **Udi** and blessings.

### **Incident 12: Baba blessed Captain Hate with Udi**

- **Hate** came across a friend who was bound for Shirdi and sent a rupee with him. The friend went to Shirdi and, after the usual salutation, gave **Baba** his own Dakshina first, which **Baba** pocketed. Then he gave **Hate’s** rupee.
- **Baba** took it in His hand and began to stare at it. He then held it in front, tossed it up with His right thumb, and played with it.
- **Baba** then said to the friend, “**Return this to its owner with the Prasad of Udi. Tell him I want nothing from him. Ask him to live in peace and contentment.**”
- The friend returned to Gwalior, handed over the consecrated rupee to **Captain Hate**, and told him all that had happened at Shirdi. **Hate was extremely pleased.**

### **Incident 13: Baba’s Udi and blessings to Kakaji**

- While **Kakaji** was thinking about how and when he would go to Shirdi, a guest came to his home to took him to Shirdi. That visitor was none other than **Shama**, a very close and intimate devotee of Baba.
- **Kakaji** was quite anxious to visit **Baba** and was thrilled when he learned **Shama** was from Shirdi. **Kakaji** at once embraced him and felt overwhelmed with love. They talked about Sai

leelas and together went to the temple to complete the rites of **Shama's mother's vows**. When finished, they both left Vani for Shirdi.

- Once they arrived in Shirdi, **Kakaji** went to the masjid and fell at Baba's feet. His eyes became bedewed with tears and his mind attained calmness. Just as the goddess had predicted in his vision, no sooner did **Kakaji** see **Baba**, then his mind lost all its restlessness and became calm and composed.
- **Kakaji** began to think, "What a wonderful power this is! Baba did not speak. There were no questions and no answers. No benediction was pronounced. The mere darshan itself was so conducive to happiness."
- The restlessness of **Kakaji's** mind disappeared by Baba's darshan and consciousness of joy came upon him. This is what is called 'the greatness of darshan'.
- **Kakaji's** eyes were fixed on Sai's feet and he could not utter a single word. Hearing Baba's leelas, his joy knew no bounds. He surrendered himself completely to Baba, forgot his anxiety and cares, and was filled with undiluted happiness.
- **Kakaji** lived in Shirdi happily for 12 days and after receiving **Baba's Udi** and blessings, he took **Baba's** leave and returned home.

#### **Incident 14: Dhulia Bahalkar's boy recovered after Baba applying Udi**

- In March 1913, **Raoji Balakrishna Upasani Bahalkar's younger son** had high fever for 5 or 6 days. The doctor gave up hopes. Then **Raoji Balakrishna Upasani** Sat and prayed to **Baba**.
- **Baba**, appearing at 2 a.m. in his room at Dhulia and applying **Udi** to the boy and said: Now, have no more anxiety. In 2 hours, your boy will perspire. In the morning he will feel better. After he gets well, bring him to me.
- In the morning the boy was better. This was about 6-3-1913.
- On 8-3-1913 **Shama** wrote to **Raoji**, as follows: **Baba** said, "I have been to your Dhulia friend's house" I (Shama) asked. Who is that friend?
- **Baba**: Upasani Bahalkar Raoji, I am daily going to his house. You had better write to him.
- Therefore, I have written this letter 15 days later, **Raoji** and his son were going to Shirdi. on the way at Kopergaon the tanga driver was delaying them. At Arati time. **Baba** told **Shama**:

Sharma wait a bit for the is Arati to start. Your Dhulia friend is coming. The tanga driver is troubling him. On their arrival in time for receiving Prasad.

- **Baba** (to the boy) When you were ill I came to Dhulia. Do You remember?

### **Incident 15: Mrs. Dube recovered after applying Udi**

- In 1913-1914, plague raged at Pune. **R.K. Dube** who vowed to go to Shirdi. broke that vow and went to Sasarwada. In that trip he lost a child and his wife was seriously unwell. **Dube** prayed to **Baba**.
- **Baba**, appearing in a vision, said: One must perform one's vow. Else he has to bear the punishment in this manner.
- Applying **Udi** to **Mrs. Dube**, **Baba** disappeared. **Dube** saw the **Udi** on her face. The next day she recovered. Later when Mr. and Mrs. Dube went to Shirdi, **Baba** referred to the above incident.

### **Incident 16: Appasaheb Kulkarni's family received a small packet of Udi**

- While **Appasaheb Kulkarni** was in Thana, he had to go on tour to Bhivandi and was not expected to return for a week. In his absence, the following wonderful thing took place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day.
- A fakir turned up at **Appasaheb's** house at noon. His features exactly resembled those in **Sai Baba's** photo. **Mrs. Kulkarni** and the children all asked him whether he was **Sai Baba** of Shirdi. He said, "No," but said that he was an obedient servant of **Baba** and had come there at His order to inquire about the health of the family. He then asked for Dakshina. The lady gave him a rupee.
- He gave her a small packet of **Udi** and asked her to keep it in the shrine along with the photo for worship. He then left the house and went away.
- The following will describe the wonderful leela of Sai Baba.
- **Appasaheb** could not proceed with his tour as his horse fell sick at Bhivandi. When he returned home that afternoon, his wife told him about the fakir's visit. He winced mentally



as he had not been there to receive the darshan of the fakir and was dissatisfied that only one rupee was paid as Dakshina.

- He thought to himself that had he been present; he would have offered not less than 10 rupees. Thinking in this manner, he immediately started off in quest of the fakir and searched for him in the masjid and other places, without taking any food. His search was in vain, so he returned home and had something to eat.
- After his meal, **Appasaheb** went out for a walk with a friend, Mr. Chitre. After walking some distance, they saw a man approaching them rapidly. Appasaheb thought that he must be the fakir who came to his house at noon, as his features tallied with those in the photo of Baba.
- The fakir immediately put forth His hand and asked for Dakshina. **Appasaheb** gave Him a rupee. The fakir demanded again and again, so **Appasaheb** gave Him 2 more rupees, but still He was not satisfied. Then **Appasaheb** borrowed Rs. 3/ from **Mr. Chitre** and gave them to the fakir, but the fakir wanted still more. **Appasaheb** then asked the **fakir** to accompany him to his home, and when they arrived there, he gave Him 3 more rupees, in all nine. The fakir showed dissatisfaction and demanded again. **Appasaheb** then told Him he had a currency note of Rs. 10/.
- The fakir asked for the note, took it, and returned the 9 rupees in cash, then went away. The figure 9 is significant. It denotes the 9 types of devotion. It may also be noted here that just before **Baba** took his mahasamadhi, He gave Rs. 9/ to Laxmibai Shinde.
- **Appasaheb** examined the **Udi** packet and found it contained some flower petals and akshata. Then, sometime later, he got a hair from **Baba** when he saw Him at Shirdi. He put the **Udi** packet and the hair in a talisman and always wore it on his arm. Appasaheb realized the power of the Udi.
- Though very clever, **Appasaheb** only earned Rs. 40/, but after he secured **Baba's photo** and His **Udi**, he received many times 40 rupees per month and also gained much power and influence. Along with these temporal benefits, his spiritual progress was rapid.
- So those who are fortunate enough to get **Baba's Udi should, after a bath, apply it on the forehead and drink a bit mixed in water as holy tirth.**

### **Incident 17: Baba's Udi recovered Doctor's Nephew**

- There lived in Malegaon (Nasik District), a **doctor** who had a nephew who was suffering from an incurable disease - tubercular bone abscess. The **doctor**, as well as his brothers and other medical practitioners, tried all sorts of remedies and even an operation, but there was no relief for the **little boy's** suffering.
- Friends and relations advised the boy's parents to seek divine aid and recommended they go to **Sai Baba**, who was known to have cured incurable cases.
- They placed the boy before Him and pleaded humbly and respectfully, imploring Him to save their son. The merciful Baba comforted them saying, **"Those who resort to this Masjid shall never suffer anything in this life and to the end of time.** Be now carefree.
- Apply **Udi** on the abscess and within 1 week, he will recover. Believe in God. This is no masjid, but Dwarawati. He who enters here will soon get health and happiness and his sufferings will come to an end."
- The boy was made to sit before **Baba**, who moved His hands on the affected area and cast His loving glances on the child. With the application of the **Udi**, the boy began to recover and was all right in a few days. The parents then left Shirdi with their son, thanking **Baba** for the cure which was effected by the **Udi** and **Baba's** grace.
- Hearing all of this, the doctor, who was the boy's uncle, was quite amazed and desired to see **Baba**. He intended to stop at Shirdi on his way to Bombay where he had some business, but at Malegaon and Manmad, someone spoke to him against **Baba** and poisoned his thoughts.
- He therefore dropped the idea of visiting Shirdi and went to Bombay directly. The **doctor** had wanted to spend the rest of his leave at Alibag, but at Bombay he heard a voice on 3 successive nights crying out, "Still you disbelieve me?" Then the **doctor** changed his mind and resolved to go to Shirdi. He had, however, to attend to a case in Bombay of an infectious fever which had showed no signs of abatement, so he thought his Shirdi trip would be postponed. He then had an idea to propose a test and said to himself, "If the patient becomes better today, I shall start for Shirdi tomorrow." The wonder is that exactly at the time the determination was taken, the patient's fever began to abate and the temperature returned to normal.

- The doctor then left for Shirdi, as per his determination, took **Baba's** darshan, and prostrated before Him.
- Baba gave him such amazing experiences that he became His devotee. The **doctor** stayed there for 4 days and returned home with **Baba's Udi** and blessings. Within a fortnight, he was transferred on promotion to Bijapur. His nephew's case had given him an opportunity for seeing **Baba** and this visit engendered in him a never failing love of **Sai Baba**.

### **Incident 18: Baba's Udi recovered Dr. Pillay's guinea worms**

- **Dr. Pillay** was an intimate bhakta of **Sai Baba**. He was very much liked by **Baba**, who always called him brother. **Baba** talked with him at various times, consulted him in matters, and wanted him at His side.
- At one time, **Dr. Pillay** suffered from a bad case of guinea worms. He said to **Kakasaheb Dixit**, "The pain is most excruciating and unbearable. I prefer death to it. I know this pain is to repay some past karma, but please go to **Baba** and tell Him to stop the pain and transfer the working out of my past karma to 10 future lives of mine."
- **Dixit** went to **Baba** and related **Dr. Pillay's** request. **Baba**, being moved by the request, said to **Dixit**, "Tell him to be fearless. Why should he suffer for 10 future lives? In 10 days he can work out the sufferings and consequences of his past karma. While I am here to give him temporal and spiritual welfare, why should he pray for death? Bring him here on someone's back and let us work out and finish his sufferings once and for all."
- The doctor was brought in his painful condition and was seated on **Baba's** right side where **Baba** always sat. **Baba** gave him His bolster and said, "Lie here calmly and be at ease. **The true remedy comes after the result of past actions has been suffered and is over.**
- Our karma is the cause of our happiness and sorrow, therefore, put up with whatever comes to you. Allah (God) is the sole dispenser and protector. Always think of Him. He will take care of you. Surrender to His feet with body, mind, wealth and speech, i.e. completely, and then see what He does."

- **Dr. Pillay** then said **Nanasaheb** had put a bandage over his leg, but that he had found no relief. “Nana is fool,” **Baba** replied. “Take off that bandage or else you will die. A crow will come now and peck at you, and then you will recover.”
- While this conversation was going on, Abdul, who always cleaned the masjid and trimmed the lamps, turned up. While he was attending his work of trimming the lamps, his foot accidentally fell upon the stretched leg of Dr. Pillay. The leg was already swollen and when Abdul’s foot fell upon it and pressed it, all 7 guinea worms were squeezed out at once.
- The pain was unbearable and Dr. Pillay cried out loudly. After some time, he calmed down and began to sing and cry alternately. Then Baba remarked, “See, our bhau is alright now and singing.” **Dr. Pillay** then inquired as to when the crow would come and peck at him.
- **Baba** replied, “Did you not see the crow? He won’t come again. Abdul was the crow. Now go and rest yourself in the wada and you will be alright soon.”
- By the application of the **Udi** to the wound and by drinking it mixed in water, and without taking any other treatment or medicine, the disease was completely cured in 10 days as **Baba** predicted.

### **Incident 19: Baba’s Udi recovered Shama’s Sister-in-Law**

- **Shama’s younger brother, Bapaji**, was staying near Sawul well. His wife was attacked with bubonic plague. She had a high fever and two bubos in her groins. **Bapaji** ran to **Shama**, who was in Shirdi, and asked him to come and help.
- **Shama** was frightened and ran to **Baba**, prostrated himself before Him, invoked His aid, and requested him to cure his sister-in-law. He also asked **Baba** for permission to go to his brother’s house.
- Then **Baba** said, “Don’t go there at this late hour of night. Send her **Udi**. God is our father and master. She will be alright. You may go there in the morning and return immediately afterward.”
- **Shama** had full faith in **Baba’s Udi**. It was sent with Bapaji. The **Udi** was applied on the bubos and some of it was mixed with water and given to the patient to drink. As soon as **Shama’s**

**sister-in-law** drank the mixture, she began to perspire profusely. Her fever abated and she fell into a good sleep.

- The next morning **Bapaji** was surprised to see his wife well and refreshed, with no fever and no bubos. When **Shama**, with **Baba's** permission, went to his sister-in-law's the next morning, he was happily surprised to see her at the hearth preparing tea.
- On questioning his brother, he learned that **Baba's Udi** cured her completely in one night. Thus, **Shama** then realized the significance of **Baba's** words, "Go there in the morning and return immediately."
- After having his tea, **Shama** returned to Shirdi and, after greeting **Baba**, said, "**Deva**, what is this play of Yours? You first raise a storm and make us restless, and then calm it down and ease us."
- **Baba** replied, "You see, mysterious is the path of action. Though I do nothing, they hold Me responsible for the actions which take place due to destiny. I am only their witness. The Lord is the sole Doer and Inspirer. He is also most merciful. Neither am I God, nor the Lord. I am His obedient servant and remember Him often. **He, who casting aside his egoism, thanks the Lord and trusts Him entirely, will have his shackles removed and will obtain liberation.**"

### **Incident 20: Baba's Udi helped Nanasaheb Chandorkar's daughter during her Pregnancy**

- In 1904-1905 **Nanasaheb Chandorkar** was **mamlatdar** at **Jamner**, in the **Khandesh** District, which is more than 100 miles from Shirdi. His daughter, **Mainatai**, was pregnant and was about to deliver. Her case was very serious and she was suffering from labor pains for 2 or 3 days.
- **Nanasaheb** tried all types of remedies, but they proved ineffective. He then remembered **Sai Baba** and invoked His aid.
- At that same time in Shirdi, **Ramgirbuva**, wanted to go to his native village of Khandesh. **Baba** called him and told him to take a little rest and stop at Jamner on his way home and give some **Udi** and a copy of the arati to **Nanasaheb Chandorkar**.

- **Ramgirbuva** said he had only 2 rupees with him and that amount was barely sufficient for the railway fare to Jalgaon, so it was not possible for him to go from Jalgaon to Jamner. **Baba** assured him he need not worry, as everything would be provided for him.
- Then **Baba** asked **Shama** to write the well-known arati composed by **Madhav Adkar** and give a copy of it with the **Udi** to **Ramgirbuva** who would then deliver it to **Nanasaheb**.
- Relying on **Baba's** words, **Ramgirbuva** left Shirdi and reached Jalgaon at about 2:45 a.m. He had only 2 annas left and was in a hard plight. To his great relief, he heard someone calling out, "Who is Bapugirbuva of Shirdi?" He immediately went over and identified himself. The peon, professing to be sent by **Nanasaheb Chandorkar**, then took **Bapugirbuva** out to an excellent tanga with a fine pair of horses and driver and asked him to get in.
- The peon and **Ramgirbuva** then drove quickly through the night and by early morning, they came to a small brook. The driver took the horses for water and then asked **Ramgirbuva** to partake of some food. Seeing the beard, moustache and livery of the peon, **Ramgirbuva** suspected him to be a Muslim and was unwilling to take any refreshments from him, but the peon satisfied him by saying that he was a Hindu, a Kshatriya of Garhwal.
- He explained **Nanasaheb** had sent the food, so there should be no difficulty, nor any doubt, about acceptance. Then both of them had some food and continued on the journey. They reached Jamner at dawn. **Ramgirbuva** alighted to attend a call of nature and returned within a few minutes, but found no tanga and no peon. He was dumbfounded.
- He then went to the neighboring katcheri and made inquiries. Having learned that the **Nanasaheb** was at home, **Ramgirbuva** went to **Nanasaheb's** house, announced himself, and gave him **Baba's** Udi and arati. At this time, **Mainatai's** case was most serious and all were deeply anxious about her.
- **Nanasaheb** called out to his wife and asked her to give the **Udi, mixed with water**, to their daughter to drink. He then asked his wife to sing **Baba's Aarti**.
- **Nanasaheb** thought that **Baba's** help was most opportune. In a few minutes, the news came that the delivery was safe and the crisis had passed away. Then, when **Ramgirbuva** thanked **Nanasaheb** for the peon, tanga and refreshments, the latter was greatly surprised, as he had sent none to the station and was not even aware of any person coming from Shirdi.

### **Incident 21: Kakasaheb dixit's friend relieved from sleeping problem after applying Udi**

- **Kakasaheb dixit's friend** once complained to me that he was not able to sleep even for a minute for past 8 days when we both were at work. **Doctor's** medicines were not helpful as well.
- **Kakasaheb dixit** gave him **Udi** which he got from Shirdi and asked him to keep it near him for 3 consecutive days. Next day he came and happily informed me that he had sound sleep the previous night as soon as **Udi** was placed near him.

### **Incident 22: Narayan Gopinath relived from pain after applying Udi**

- **Narayan Gopinath Dige** of Bombay had pain in his intestine. It was getting intense day by day. He consulted many doctors in Bombay and tried many medicines to no effect.
- A friend of his was a devotee of **Sai Baba** and thus he advised **Narayan** to go to Shirdi, place his problem before the **Sai baba** there, and He is sure to take care of. But since his condition was rather serious, he showed his inability to travel to Shirdi.
- However, **he** was confident that **Sai Baba's** grace would certainly cure him. **He** vowed once he gets alright, he would certainly go to Shirdi to pay his homage. His friend thus gave him **Udi** and advised him to apply it on his forehead daily. **Narayan** did exactly as directed and next day itself, he was relieved from pain.

### **Incident 23: Joshi's daughter cured by Udi**

- **Joshi's daughter** was suffering from serious health issues from many years. One day her condition became so critical that she was at death's door.
- Her mother gave her **Udi** and **Sai Baba's Aarti**. Immediately her condition started to improve, but **she** had not recovered completely.
- After some time, **Joshi** along with his **wife** and **daughter** came to Shirdi. The **girl** had turned very weak due to long illness and **she** barely could walk. So **her parents** carried her to



**Dwarkamai** before **Sai Baba**. **Baba** applied **Udi** on her face. After 3 days, **she** was completely cured. Now **she** could walk without anybody's support. Such is the divine power of **Udi**.

#### **Incident 24: Shankar Rao mother's Udi replaced by Bukka**

- **Shankar Rao's mother** once planned to visit Shirdi and from there they wanted to proceed to Pandharpur and few other places of pilgrimage. As per her plan **she** first went to Shirdi.
- When **she** went to take **Sai Baba's** darshan, **she** was asked to return home and given **Udi**. Thus **she** cancelled her trip to Pandharpur and other pilgrimages. **She** had to consider Shirdi as her Pandharpur.
- After reaching home, when **she** unpacked her luggage to give **Udi** to all others, she did not find **Udi** in it. Instead of **Udi**, **Bukka** (fragrant powder formed of various ingredients) which one gets on visiting Pandharpur shrine, was present.
- She was surprised at this change, but then **she** was convinced that since **she** considered Shirdi as Pandharpur, **she** was given Prasad of Pandharpur only.

#### **Incident 25: Baba's Udi helped Vaaman Chidambar's students clearing their exams**

- **Shri Daje Vaaman Chidambar** was transferred to Shirdi as a school headmaster. **Kakasaheb Dixit** came in contact with Daje **Vaaman** after some time.
- **Daje Vaaman** was unhappy with the position he was offered in Shirdi because his name was spoiled due to students. **Daje Vaaman** added that they did not study regularly properly.
- When they are scolded for their poor performance, they said that they will ask for **Udi** from **Sai Baba** and that will help them to clear their exams. **Daje Vaaman** thought that **Sai Baba** was spoiling them.
- After 5 to 6 months, exams were conducted and all students passed out good results. Now **Daje Vaaman** had no complains with students and **Sai Baba** as well.

### **Incident 26: Baba's Udi saving Nimonkar Baby's life**

- **S.S.D.Nimonkar**, C.I.D. inspector was on his way from **Pune** to **Nimon**, where his brother's wife was recently delivered of a child. On the way he called on **Baba** at Shirdi. **Baba** in giving him leave with the usual **Udi** said: "Save the child's life".
- Then **S.S.D.Nimonkar** went to **Nimon** where the new born child had become cold and chill and the parents had lost all hope of its life. He looked for **Baba's Udi** and not finding it took the baby in his lap and prayed to **Baba** for his help, to give the baby its life, In 15 minutes' time, the child improved.

### **Incident 27: Baba sending Udi to Joshi**

- **Joshi**, younger brother of the Thana pleader Joshi, wanted to go to **Shirdi**; but could not afford it. Some days later a **Konkanath Brahmin** was taking leave of **Baba** to go to **Bombay**.
- **Baba** said to **Konkanath Brahmin** "Take this packet of **Udi** and give it to a man who will meet you in the train and ask you for just a span of space to sit.
- **Konkanath Brahmin** (receiving it): If I do not find any man, I will send this packet back to you. **Baba** said: You will find the man.
- Then **Konkanath Brahmin** started from **Kopergaon** to **Bombay** and up to **Kalyan** found no one. At **Kalyan** the whole train and his compartment were overcrowded and **Joshi**, the younger rushed into his compartment and asked for a span of space. **Konkanath Brahmin** gave him the space and also the **Udi**.